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SUBJECT: MTN: NORDIC NTM OFFERS

1. THE NORDIC NTM OFFER TRANSMITTED TO THE GATT SECRETARIAT IS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE:

THE NORDIC COUNTRIES' RESPONSE ON NON-TARIFF MEASURES
IN THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR

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IN VIEW OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTICIPANTS IN
THE MTN TO PRESENT OFFERS ON NON-TARIFF MEASURES BY
MID-JANUARY 1978 I WOULD LIKE TO INFORM YOU THAT THE
NORDIC COUNTRIES, FINLAND, NORWAY AND SWEDEN, HAVE
DECIDED TO PRESENT THE FOLLOWING RESPONSE ON NON-TARIFF
MEASURES IN THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR.

THE NORDIC COUNTRIES HAVE RECEIVED FROM A NUMBER OF MTN PARTICIPANTS REQUESTS WHICH HAVE BEEN CAREFULLY EXAMINED. THESE REQUESTS COVER DIFFERENT MEASURES WITH DIFFERING SIGNIFICANCE TO TRADE, INTER ALIA, IN THE FOLLOWING FIELDS:

- CUSTOMS MATTERS
- IMPORT LICENSING
- GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT
- STANDARDS, SANITARY REGULATIONS ETC.
- OTHER MEASURES.

TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THAT IMPORTANT QUESTIONS SUCH AS CUSTOMS VALUATION, STANDARDS, GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT, IMPORT LICENSING ETC. ARE BEING NEGOTIATED IN VARIOUS NTM SUB-GROUPS, I WOULD LIKE TO STATE THAT THE NORDIC COUNTRIES ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS IN THESE GROUPS, WHERE SOME OF THE MOST SEVERE OBSTACLES TO TRADE ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION. THE NORDIC COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE TO CONTRIBUTE ACTIVELY TO THIS MULTILATERAL WORK AIMING AT MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS IN THE FORM OF CODES OR AGREEMENTS.

THE NORDIC COUNTRIES HAVE ALSO RECEIVED SOME REQUESTS ON OTHER NON-TARIFF MEASURES OR PRACTICES AND THEY ARE IN THE PROCESS OF RESPONDING TO THE REQUESTS RECEIVED.
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THESE RESPONSES WILL INCLUDE CLARIFICATIONS CONCERNING REQUESTS, WHICH ARE BASED ON OUTDATED OR ERRONEOUS INFORMATION.

END QUOTE.

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